

Blind Senator's Mention of Nebraskan's Name Causes Wild Up roar

For Hour and 27 Minutes
Convention Enthusiasm
Runs Riot, Delegates
Yelling Until Al-
most Prostrated.

DENVER, COLO., July 8.—With the assurance of another perfect day, and the promise of an interesting fight over the report of the committee on credentials, which Colonel Guffey and his Pennsylvania friends were generally expected to contest, the crowd commenced early to move toward the convention hall. All progress in that direction, however, was impeded by a great parade of Tammany men from New York, who, headed by a band and a number of gaudily attired Indians, would their way around the business section of the city. About 1,000 men were in line among them. Chief Charles Murphy and other big leaders of Tammany. It was by far the largest parade that has occurred so far during the convention.

Georgia Unable to Decide.

Tammany out of the way, the crowd was able once more to start for the convention hall, and by 11:30 o'clock, a half hour previous to the time for the opening of the proceedings, all the sidewalks were choked and the police were struggling with the eager crowd, which was pressing toward the entrance.

Though the day outside was very warm, the empty convention hall, when the doors were opened, was found to be 10 or 20 degrees cooler than the street temperature.

The Bryan men came tramping into the auditorium with cheerful faces, and much laughter. The events of the night and early morning in the committee on credentials were much to their liking, and they were more confident than ever of the ultimate success of their candidate. The Georgia delegates, anxious still in the face of apparently overwhelming odds, were late in arriving, as they had another caucus early to-day for the purpose of establishing a rallying point for the fight against Bryan. When the delegation arrived it became known that Georgia was unable to reach a conclusion regarding the Democratic candidate for President. As constituted the delegation stands twenty-three against Bryan and three for him.

Mr. Jones Badly Wanted.

The Pennsylvania seats were also sparsely filled. Colonel Guffey and his followers were locked up at the Adams House, considering the best line of action for the face of the adverse report which the committee on credentials was preparing to bring against them.

Four times before the convention was called to order, a gray-haired reading clerk, wearing a top hat, demanded to know from the platform if Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell or Mr. Duncan was in the house.

"They are requested to come forward," he said at first, but there was no response.

Next time the clerk announced that the trio of labor leaders were wanted by the committee on resolutions, and lastly he asked that they report immediately at room 231, Brown Palace Hotel.

The reading clerk caused some merriment by announcing in a serious business, that if "Mr. Jones is in the house, he is requested to call up phone Main 4203."

Temporary Chairman Bell reached the rostrum just before noon, while the band was playing "The Red, White and Blue," and there were combined cheers for the patriotic selection and for the first officer of the convention.

"Dixie" came next from the band and drew out the usual burst from the Southern delegates.

Clayton in Blue Goggles.

Among the early arrivals were Representative Henry Clayton, of Alabama, permanent chairman of the convention. He occupied a seat in the last row of chairs reserved for the members of the national committee. His eyes were covered by heavy blue goggles, and he was somewhat less favorably attired than was temporary Chairman Bell, who was yesterday. Mr. Clayton was the constant center of a group of men, who called to pay their respects to the officer who is to wield the gavel through all the stormy scenes, and all the periods of calm that he before the convention.

Colonel Guffey walked down the center aisle to his place in the Pennsylvania delegation at 12:05 o'clock and was met from a number of the delegates in his vicinity. He was also surrounded by some little time by a group of friends, who apparently wanted to know what plan of action had been decided upon by the Pennsylvania delegation.

Bell Begins to Pound.

During the time the delegates were finding their seats the band kept up a constant stream of music. A wide variety of selections were offered, and whenever the leader had a doubt he turned on a new supply of "Dixie" and always got a responding shout. "The Star-Spangled Banner," often shared honors with the old Southern song.

At 12:20 o'clock, when the convention had not yet been called to order, it was announced that the marching clubs would be permitted to go through the hall as soon as the opening prayer had been delivered. Arrangements for the entrance and exit of the paraders were hastily made, and under the direction of the sergeant-at-arms, it was just 12:25 P. M. when Chairman Bell began vigorously to rap for order and to direct that the congested aisle be cleared.

"The convention will come to order," he shouted time and time again, while the hum of voices continued.

"Gentlemen, be seated," called the chairman. "Gentlemen, please be seated," he repeated, and at last, "Officers of the convention will see that the gentlemen take their seats and clear the aisles." The gavel continued its pounding. Impromptu conferences seemed to be in progress in all parts of the delegates' section, and it was some time before the participants heard the frantic appeals of the chairman.

Bell Still Pounding.

After pounding with his gavel for ten minutes, Chairman Bell delivered a short address, demanding that order prevail in the convention hall, repeating for the fifth time:

"Gentlemen, take your seats."

While he was speaking almost absolute silence prevailed, and his threat of "No business will be transacted unless quiet is restored" was made to the people who were making no noise of any kind.

The chairman finished what he had to say, however, and promptly seizing

Breaks All Records.

Following are records of length of demonstrations at political conventions:

Year.	Min.
1888 James G. Blaine, Minneapolis.	40
1892 Grover Cleveland, Chicago.	26
1896 William McKinley, St. Louis.	32
1898 William J. Bryan, Chicago.	40
1899 Mark Hanna, St. Louis.	24
1900 John Sharp Williams, Kansas City.	22
1900 Senator B. R. Tillman, Kansas City.	24
1900 Theodore Roosevelt, Philadelphia.	30
1904 Theodore Roosevelt, Chicago.	40
1908 Theodore Roosevelt, Chicago.	32
1908 William J. Bryan, Denver.	87

his opportunity, he introduced the Rev. Christian F. Reiser, of Denver, the chaplain of the day, who delivered the invocation. Rev. Mr. Reiser spoke in a strong, deep voice, and as he concluded was greeted with an outburst of applause, particularly from the Indiana and New York delegations, although it was general throughout the convention.

Clubs March Through.

"The Milwaukee and other marching clubs will pass through the hall," announced the chairman, and as the last words left his lips the strains of "Dixie" floated into the auditorium, and a cheer broke from the crowd as the first Bryan banner in line was swung through the door. The convention band caught up the dying strains of "Dixie" as the marching band passed out of a door opposite the one by which it entered. The parade was not long, and the convention soon returned to business. As the last of the marchers passed out, Chairman Bell again ordered that the aisles be cleared and when this was done he said:

"The chair recognizes Senator Thomas F. Grady, of New York, chairman of the committee on rules."

Report is Adopted.

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